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Selectmen and Treasurer's Report

FOR CURRENT YEAR COMMENCING MARCH 1, 1861.

Bala	nce in t	the Treasury March 1, 1861,	\$749	76
Rec	eived of	Luther Loomis, Collector,	494	11
	" of	Harvey Kirkland, Trustee of E. Cheeve	er	
		nd D. Whitman,		00
	" for	use of Town Hall,	20	75
	" Net	Proceeds of Collins School Fund,	909	26
	" on	Principal of "Legacy,	3147	65
	" of	Royal Rice, Liquor Agent,	100	00
		N. C. Wrisley, "	50	00
		R. B. Rice, for Grass from Burial Groun	nd, 3	00
		Dog Licenses,		00
		N. C. Wrisley, for Meal,	6	70
	"	" use of Oxen,	10	01
	66 66	William A. Nash, for Sundries,	4	16
		n sale of Oxen,	125	00
		Smith Charities, for Wid. Cyrus Alvord	, 50	00
		Spencer Bartlett, Collector,	6679	17
		William E. Thayer, money borrowed,	75	
		William A. Nash, "	100	
		mount due on Collector's Bills,	221	
		ror,	16	
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OLD BILLS

For Year ending March 1, 1861.

Paid	J. W. Nash, for Bridge Plank,	30	70
66	Smith Phillips, "	12	88
6.6	William E. Thayer, "	14	40
66	Luther Bodman, Jr., for services as Elector, 1859,	12	00
6.6	Chauncey Rice, " 1860,		
66	Wm. J. Warner, bal. due for making Road		
	in Haydenville,	129	46
66	Alfred Jones, for services as Constable,	7	76
66	L. K. Baker, bal. due for services as Liquor Agt.	,30	00
6.6	John Miller, for Labor on Highway,	1	90
4.6	Francis Loomis, " Iron Bridge, 1860,	5	05
66	A. D. Sanders, for Expenses to Palmer for		
	Plan of Iron Bridge,	3	50
66	Miss Maria Graves, for Teaching in Dist. No. 5,	18	81
66	Leonard Strong, Abatement on son's Tax,	1	50
66	Russell Hill, Labor on Highway, 1859,		50
"	J. A. Wright, for Care of Hope Engine,	2.	25
66	School District No. 2, bal. due,	58	25
6.6	" 3, "	87	97
66	Lewis Bodman, for services as Committee on		
	Iron Bridges,	16	00
66	L. E. Truesdell, bal. due on Iron Bridges,	145	00
66	Erastus Graves, for breaking roads,	3	00
66	Moses Fisk, "	9	25
66	Francis S. Nash, "	7	20
66	Metcalf & Co., for printing Selectmen's Report,	, 9	50
66	" " School Com. "		00
66	Dr. Wm. Trow, for services as School Com.,	20	00

EXPENDITURES

For Year ending March 1, 1862.

Abat	ement of Taxes,	75	79
	SUPPORT OF POOR.		
Paid	Rectus Richards, for David Whitman, April 1, 1861,	39	16
"	Charles W. Rhoads, for Abigail Warner and		
66	Irene Meekins, April 1, 1861, Insane Hospital, for Versal Abell and M. A.	84	50
	m mass 1	126	41
"	Aaron Stearns, for Eunice Graves, April 1, 1861,	32	50
66	Warren Ball, for Ezekiel Cheever, April 1, 1861,	33	75
66	Holland Hubbard, for Versal Abell,	3	25
66	G. I. Page, for Eli Hubbard,	14	00
66	Town of Chesterfield, for Eli Hubbard,	60	5 0
66	H. L. Williams, for Samuel Williams, April		
	1, 1861,		24
	L. F. Washburn, for G. Laplant,	22	22
66	Henry Taylor, for William Warner, April 1,	25	27
66	1861, John Fuller, for E. Cheever, April 1, 1861,		50
66	John Wright, for John Wright, Jr., child,		00
66	Henry Taylor, for William Warner,		50
66	Franklin Clapp, for E. Cheever,		50
66	Chas. W. Rhoads, for Abigail Warner and		90
	Irene Meekins,	84	50
66	Warren Ball, for E. Cheever and D. Whitman,	5 0	00
66	Scott Smith, for Samuel Williams,	25	00
66	66 66	25	00
"	Insane Hospital, for Versal Abell, to Oct. 1,		
	1861,	75	35
66	Insane Hospital, for M. A. Miller, to Dec. 17,		
	1861,	102	53

Paid	Aaron Stearns, for Eunice Graves,	37	50
66	Warren Ball, for E. Cheever and D. Whitman,	28	79
66	John Miller, for House Rent for John Wright, J	r.,5	00
6.6	Wm. E. Thayer, for sundries furnished,	107	07
66	R. S. Hillman, for Medical attendance,	7	20
66	" " on Wid. C.D. Alvord.	22	00
"	Mrs. Gill, " Nursing, &c. " "	12	62
66	" F. A. Quinn, " " "	4	00
66	" Thomas Partridge, " " "	8	75
66	" I. D. Alvord, " " "	13	50
"	N. C. Wrisley, necessaries for " "	5	74
66	Morton & Waite, for Sundries,	5	18
66	N. C. Wrisley, for Mrs. M. A. Miller's Fune-		
	ral Expenses,	7	00

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid	for	District	No	. 1,	Otis G. Hill, Surv	eyor,	221	59
4.6	66	"	"	2,	Chas. E. Tileston,	66	216	03
"	66	"	66	3,	N. C. Wrisley,	66	120	23
"	66	"	66	4,	Lewis Bradford,	"	38	06
"	• 6	66	66	5,	Francis S. Nash,	66	72	44
66	66	"	66	6,	S. S. Hall,	66	44	33
"	66	66	66	7,	Jonathan Stockwell	, "	91	85
4.6	66	"	66	8,	C. H. Meekins,	"	119	03
"	66	66	66	9,	Almon Warner,	66	31	75
66	C.]	E. Tilest	on,	Rep	pairing Blake Brook	Bridge,	94	54
•								

\$1,049 85

\$1,121 13

SPECIFIC REPAIRS AND ALTERATIONS.

Paid	Abel Main, for	Labor	on Wall,		34	92
"	Lyman Ames,	66	66	r	70	00
66	Alvin Bradford,	66	66		8	31

Poid	Nother Deken Lebener Well	10	00
raiu "	Nathan Baker, Labor on Wall,	130	
66	John C. Williams, " &c.,	79	
66	Cyrus Miller, "keeping oxen, &c.,		_
66	David Scott, " and hay,	88	
	Prescott Williams,"	48	
	Trank moore,	49	
66	Patrick Doyle, " Patrick O'Neal "		67
	Laurick O Ivear,	109	
"	riemy oprague,		00
"	Partridge & Hillman, labor,		00
66	Francis Loomis, "		00
66	Wm. W. Newman, "		83
66	Chester Warner, "		77
66	Francis Hartwell, for Blacksmithing,		92
66	J. T. Thayer, for Meal,		30
66	R. C. Fairfield, for hay, yoke, &c.,	30	75
66	H. F. Knapp, for Board,	16	95
66	N. C. Wrisley, "	48	20
66	Louisa Cannor, "	3	94
66	John Mack, for Labor,	20	00
66	Michael Grace, "	47	33
66	John Miller, for Timber,	6	00
66	Thaddeus Bartlett, for Gravel,	26	26
"	Henry Tilton, for Hay,	10	96
66	John Mack, for Labor,	18	30
66	Thomas Herrin, "	10	83
66	sundry persons, for Labor, &c.,	3	96
66	William A. Nash, for services as Committee,		
	Labor, and use of Plow and Cart,	66	00
66	William A. Nash, for two Stone Boats,	4	50
66	N. C. Wrisley, for services as Committee,		
TE 1 5	Labor, and keeping oxen,	68	11
66	William E. Thayer, for Repairs on Cart,	3	25
"	Joseph Thompson, for Cart,	25	50
"	S. B. White, for Oxen,	132	00
	1 1 1		

Whole amount Expended,	1,469 92
Deduct am't received for Oxen, 125	00
" bal. taken from sundry acc'ts, 34	69
" use of Oxen, 10	00
" Cart yoke, Stone Boat, &c., 32	50
_	202 19
Net Expenditure,	\$1,267 73
Of which was expended on the alteration	
in Haydenville, . 680	23
By Wid. Knight,	00
On 180 rods Specific Repairs, at 3,221	
	50
_	\$1267 73

VOLUNTEERS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

Paid	P. W. Kingsley,	by vote	of town,	30 00
66	J. P. Coburn,	6.6	66	30 00
66	Chas. Adams,	66	66	30 00
66	S. C. Bodman,	6.6	66	30 00
66	Lewis T. Black,	6.6	66	30 00
6.6	Levi Black,	66	66	30 00
6.6	Albert Pelton,	6.6	6.6	30 00
66	Henry A. Ives,	616	6.6	30 00
66	Frederick Hillma	n, "	**	30 00
6.	Frederick Goodrie	ch,"	66	30 00
66	Joshua Loomis,	66	66	30 00
66	H. C. Burbee,	66	66	30 00
66	George Polly,	66	66	30 00
66	Edwin Whitney,	6.6	66	30 00
66	Henry Guyer,	66	66	30 00
66	James Londergan	, 66	66	30 00
66	John Elder,	66	66	30 00
66	Henry French,	6.6	66	30 00

P	aid	P. W. Kingsley's family, (wife and two children,)	102	00
	66	J. P. Coburn's " " " "	102	00
	66	Wm. W. Newman's " " " "	61	20
	66	John H. Obrempt's " " " "	61	20
	66	George Stephens' " " " "	61	20
	66	John Kinslow's " " " "	61	20
	66	Benson Munyan's " (" and one child,)	43	65
	66	Chas.Morganwick's"	21	84
	66	Martin Hathaway, child,	21	84
	66	Wm. Marsh & Son, for Board,	160	00
	66	Tilly Haynes & Brother, for Uniforms,	53	00
	66	Cutler & Warner, for Boots,	20	00
	66	Calvin Fisher, Geo. Stephens and Frank		
		Kinslow, Poll Taxes,	4	50
	66	O. H. Thayer, for Carrying Volunteers,	14	50
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\$ 1,328 13

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Paid	William A. Nash, for services as Selectman,		
	Assessor and Overseer of Poor,	55	00
66	Wm. E. Thayer, for services as do. do. do.	45	00
66	N. C. Wrisley, " do. do. do.	45	00
66	T. M. Carter, " as Clerk & Treasurer	,30	00
66	" for Recording Births & Marriages,	19	40
66	Spencer Bartlett, for Collecting Taxes,	38	00
66	Alfred Jones, for services as Constable,	2	S5
66	Cornelius Tileston, for care of Hearse,	25	00
66	S. H. Clapp, for Numbering Scholars in Dist.		
	No. 1 and S,	1	25
66	John W. Woodard, for Repairing Fence around		
	Old Burial Ground,	3	38
66	R. B. Rice, for Repairing Fence around New		
	Burial Ground,	3	00
, 66	Morris Guilford, for Bridge Plank,	47	97
66	Elnathan Graves, " " "	30	36

Paid T. H. Ives, for Repairing Hope Engine, 10	50
" Wm. E. Thayer, " Empire Engine and House, S	31
" do. for work around Hearse House	
and on Town House, 4	15
" for Repairing Scrapers, 4	80
" Wm. A. Nash, for Expenses to Sunderland	
,	00
" Trumbull & Gere, for Rail Road Advertisement, 5	
,	57
" Interest on Money Borrowed, 205	
	52
" Wm. E. Thayer, for Sundries, 1	91
0 700	00
\$ 596	
Royal Rice, bal. due for Liquor Agt's services, 40	00
\$ 636	23
\$ 555	~0
Paid State Tax, 336	00
" County " 1,139	80
" Note Wm. A. Nash, 100	00
" Wm. E. Thayer, 75	00
" for 15 shares Conway Bank Stock, 1,582	88
" " Schools for current year, 1,631	46
Am't Collins Legacy on hand, 1,564	77
Due on Collector's Bills, 221	90
Cash on hand, 22	69
Errors, 18	17
	_
\$ 6,692	67
OUTSTANDING ORDERS.	
Lewis Bradford, 11 06	
A. D. Sanders, 3 50	
Royal Rice, 40 00	
Wm. A. Nash, 6 50	
Albert Pelton, 8 50	
Chas Adams 10.00	

Chas. Adams,

8 50 10 00

Chauncey French,		30	00
Thaddeus Bartlett,		6	26
Calvin Fisher,		1	50
George Stevens,		1	50
Frank Kinslow,		1	50
Mrs. Wm. Newman,		12	00
Lewis Black,		8	50
N. C. Wrisley,	1	2	00
Morton & Waite,		7	14
R. B. Rice,		3	00
J. Coogan,		2	00
	9	154	96

RECAPITULATION.

PAYMENTS BY THE TOWN.

For	Old Bills,	641	88
66	Support of Poor,	1,121	13
"	Roads and Bridges,	1,049	85
66	Specific Repairs and Alterations,	1,469	92
"	Assistance of Volunteers and their Familie	es, 1,328	13
66	Abatements,	75	79
"	Contingent Expenses,	636	23
"	State and County Tax,	1,475	80
"	Wm. A. Nash, Note,	100	00
66	Wm. E. Thayer, Note,	75	00
"	15 shares Conway Bank Stock,	1,582	88
66	Schools for current year,	1,631	46
"	Collins Legacy on hand,	1,564	77
66	due on Collector's Bills,	221	90
	Cash on hand,	22	69
	Error,	18	17
		\$ 13,015	60
Rece	eipts in the Treasury,	12,860	64
Outs	standing Orders,	154	96
		\$ 13.015	60

TOWN LIABILITIES.

Due	Solomon Phelps, for support of Josiah Leonard		
	and wife, to April 3, 1862,	18	64
66	Joseph Thompson, for support of Wm. Warner,	39	13
66	Warren Ball, support of E. Cheever and		
	D. Whitman, to April 5,	84	50
66	Chas. W. Rhoads, support of A. Warner and		
	Irene Meekins, to April 5,	84	50
"	Insane Hospital, support of V. Abell, to April 1,	71	50
6.6	Aaron Stearns, support of Eunice Graves, " 5,	32	50
66	Scott Smith, support of Samuel Williams,	20	00
"	Services School Committee,	30	00
66	Smith Phillips, for Bridge Plank,	10	50
66	Salmon H. Clapp, for Note,	150	00
66	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	200	00
66	School Districts,	380	89
	\$4,		
	Outstanding Orders,	154	96
	\$ 4,5	77	19
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ASSETS.

From State, as Reimbursements for assistance	e ren-
dered to Families of Volunteers, 35	9 88
" Harvey Kirkland, Trustee of David	
	24 00
" State School Fund,	88 44
" Collector's Bills, 22	21 90
Cash on hand,	22 69
	\$ 696 91
Net Liabilities,	\$3,580 21

WILLIAM A. NASH, WILLIAM E. THAYER, Selectmen. NATHAN C. WRISLEY,

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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WILLIAMSBURGH,

1861-62.

No. of Scholars in the Town May 1, 1861, viz.

No. of Scholars in th	ie Town 1	Tay 1,	1861, v	'1Z.			
	Districts	No. 1	& 8,]	137	
	District	" 2) ,			28	
	66	3	,		1	131	
	46	4	,			23	
	46	5	,			14	
	66	6	,			15	
	66	7	,			9	
	"	9	,			8	
			Total	No.,	- 3	— 365	
Appropriation to the	small Dis	stricts,	viz.				
	Dist	rict No	0.4,		\$20	00	
	66	66	5,		25	00	
	. "	66	6,		25	00	
	"	66	7,		25	00	
	66	"	9,		45	00	
,			Total,	\$	150	00	
Amount of money raise	d by the	Cown fo	or Scho	ols, 1	.000	00	
Received from Collins to	fund,				909	26	
" State,					68	44	

Total, \$1977 70

Amount assigned to the several Districts, as follows:

Districts No. 1 & 8,	685 97
" " 2,	140 22
" " 3,	655 93
" " 4,	115 18
" " 5,	70 11
" " 6,	75 12
" " 7,	45 08
" " 9,	40 09
	1827 70
Special appropriation to the smaller Districts,	150 00
	1977 70
Amount now due,	
District No. 4,	1 52
" " 7,	1 14
" " 9,	4 72
	\$ 7 3 8

Amount raised by subscription and used with the Town money, in

District	No.	1,	63	00
"	66	3,	800	00
			\$863	00

It will be seen from the foregoing figures, that the number of scholars in the Town is greater than last year, or indeed, ever before, and also, that the amount of school money, though by no means as great as might be usefully and judiciously expended, is greater than in any former year, and it has been appropriated among the different districts according to principles already recognized.

In addition to what is embodied in these figures, your Committee are happy in being able to report an improvement in the Schools generally, throughout the Town.

The recent examinations especially, have been satisfactory, and fitted to afford pleasure to parents, and to all who are concerned.

The Select School in District No. 1, last fall, was a failure, owing to causes which it is to be hoped will not soon occur again.

The winter term of the Primary and winter Intermediate and Select Schools, in the same District, notwithstanding the large number of pupils in the latter, has been successful, and the result satisfactory.

Some of the pupils in the Intermediate School, in District No. 3, during a portion of the last term, manifested some insubordination, but the firmness of the Teacher, supported by the Committee and friends of the School, overcame it, and the term closed under favorable circumstances.

In the other Districts, the Schools have been conducted in the usual manner, and by competent Teachers, and your Committee are able to speak of them in terms of commendation, especially of District No. 4.

Your Committee also report an improvement in discipline, and in the order of the Schools, as well as greater progress in study.

In Composition, in Arithmetic, and in Grammar, the improvement is perceptible, as well as in other branches, and we hope that the commendation which is cheerfully bestowed, will stimulate the scholars to greater efforts for improvement in education and moral culture.

Your Committee have also to report an increased interest on the part of parents, manifested by more frequent visits to the Schools, though this remark is more applicable to some Districts than to others. It is much to be regretted, however, that there should be so many marks upon the Registers, even during so stormy a winter as this has been, indicating tardiness and absence from the Schools; for unless attendance be punctual and uniform, their usefulness must be greatly impaired.

This is a point for parents to consider, for they alone can apply the proper remedy.

While increased facilities for education are afforded, it seems almost superfluous to say that greater earnestness should be shown, to bring all the children and youth in the Town within the sphere of their influence, so that they may enjoy the benefits they were designed to afford.

Your Committee do not deem it necessary to repeat the suggestions of former years, as they are already upon record, but they simply express the hope that the improvement already begun may continue, and the increased interest that is awakened may be still further augmented, so that the year about to commence may be one, in all the Schools, of unprecedented prosperity.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. M. TROW,
HENRY STEARNS,
C. BREWSTER,
School
Committee.

Williamsburgh, March 22, 1862.



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